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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board  
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Opposition No. 91150298

Baxter International Inc.

v.

Inviro Medical Devices, Ltd.

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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

The Board notes the filing of applicant's December 22, 2003 motion to amend its answer and counterclaim and opposer's January 20, 2004 motion to amend its operative pleading, both of which we observe are contested.

In order to avoid unnecessary effort by the parties and the Board and to aid in the effective administration of this proceeding, proceedings herein are **suspended** pending disposition of these motions. See TBMP Section 510.01 (2d Edition, June 2003).<sup>1</sup>

The motions presently before the Board will be decided in due course.

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<sup>1</sup> See also *Opticians Ass'n of America v. Independent Opticians of America Inc.*, 734 F. Supp. 1171, 14 USPQ2d 2021 (D.N.J. 1990), rev'd on other grounds, 920 F.2d 187, 17 USPQ2d 1117 (3d Cir. 1990).

If, during the suspension period, either of the parties or their attorneys should have a change of address, the Board should be so informed in writing. Trademark Rule 2.18.

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